

WHE REAL JAPAN

FROM THE STUDIES & OBSER-VATIONS OF THE WORLD'S FOREMOST STUDENT OF MAN-KIND WHILE LIVING IN JAPAN AS A JAPANESE 🤲 💸

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Wedding Preparations.

We have tried to analyze wherein of choice and beautiful examples of the beauty of Japanese maples lies. things bought by or for young couples To begin, the trees are small for household use and of the cere-

patrons, anxious to secure fine things hair dressing of the bride may still

found in every section of the city. patterning which was valued at a The name "bazaar" is usually con- thousand yen (\$500) a Japanese coot.

and of exceptionally compact monial furnishings of the home. The growth. The leaves are small, ex- bridal dress differs with the rank or traordinarily numerous, and delicate position of the wearer. The dress of dark coppery-maroon to scarlet and once by the instructed. In three adonange. The fact that usually the lacent alcoves were figures wearing trees are either sprinkled among pines bridal gowns. All were begutiful. and other dark green conifers, or that The wedding garments of a low-class they are massed together in intention woman in Japan is a work of art; al plantings on slopes is responsible delicate materials in fine colors and for a very considerable part of their striking patterns are employed; the cut and form are suitable to her The fall time is the season for wed- class. Not only, however, is the bride dings, for store "openings" and for obliged to have a single dress. She gifts. The department store is large must have two others expressly made ly developed in Japan. There are all with reference to her wedding. The grades, from places where the com- true bridal gown is worn only at the monest and cheapest goods are sold to ceremony; almost immediately it is elegant places like the Mitsukoshi, or put off, and a second, quite different Matsuya's. They are intended for from it, is assumed; the bride arrived Japanese buyers, and in the finest one at home, the marriage day past. sees beautiful displays of all the most third dress, different from both the attractive things of Japansee productothers, is suitable. Naturally the tion-cloths, clothes, potteries, kake- clothing of the middle-class bride is mono, household equipment and the richer and finer, perhaps as brightly like. As in other places, however, colored, as that of the lower-class they have their unsold remnants and woman. Characteristic is the curious set bargain days when their great great veil, like a sack or bag in form, remnant departments are througed which is drawn down over the face; it with commoner people than the usual is a filmy stuff, so that the face and at low prices. Tea is served in all de- be seen quitely clearly through it. partment stores of such pretension. The dress of the highest class woman. and in their lunch rooms, just as in the princely class, is elegant and rich: the great department stores at home, on the whole, it is less strikingly one may find dainty lunches. In fact, bright colored than that of the midif the povice wishes to make ac die class woman; there is, however, quaintance with the Japanese cuisine an unmistakable refinement about it there is no better way of gaining a which is lacking in the other class. first lesson than by going to the lunch | There were here displayed upon the tooms of the great department stores. walls samples of rich materials which Quite different from these pre were formerly used for such wedding tentious and elegant establishments garments. Among them was a stuff are the "bazaars," which are to be of golden buff ground with delicate



High Class Bridal Garments.

United States are here for sale. Space portance. is rented apparently to little sellers, and one finds sections devoted to cerrazors and fountain pens, picture frames, postcards, every kind of tool for household use, ready-made clothing, hats, caps and shoes; toys are in special evidence, section after secreached the end of the narrow passage, we find an abrupt turn to the right, leading back along another passage behind the one which we have already traversed. At its end mother turn and another passage, and so on, back and forth, turning and winding, until one feels as if within a perfect maze or labyrinth. Usually about the time when he begins to think that there is no end to the sinuous way he is threading, he finds himself at the foot of a staircase, and has to escape but to mount the stairs. Here he finds himself again in passas much as he has done before, he finds himself at the top of a stairway which takes him down with balf of Everywhere the clerks and little sellers urge the passerby to take their succeeded each other in order of size Angeles, Cal. It extends into the Pawares. Very different is this indeed

very interesting.

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spicuously displayed upon their front, | Curlously, however, in looking which generally extends along con-through the price catalogue of the siderable space, with a door at each house, the price of the dress of the of the two sides. These are marked first-class is less than that of the mid-"Inway" and "Outway," and the visitor | dle-class woman. In the catalogue is expected to observe these signs. special emphasis is laid upon the fact Entering, then, through the "Inway" that the house endeavors to bring the we find ourselves in a very narrow price of the choicest goods within passage scarcely six feet wide, along the reach of reduced purses. As a tions of the people, the meaning of cases where the markings had all been both sides of which all sorts of cheap matter of fact, is is undoubtdly true things are attractively displayed. that the great middle class of nouveau Everything is cheap, and everything riche is able to spend far more money Is at a fixed price. Not only Japanese upon dress and adornment than many goods, but those "made in Germany." of the present day representatives of in England, in France, and in the the ancient houses of power and im-

In an alcove just beyond those devoted to the bridal costumes was one tain goods. You can here buy safety furnished with beautiful wedding presents of the olden time-the equipment of old houses of the Tokugawa period. Here were such lovely old laquers as one scarcely dared to handle. Thus there was one fine black lacquered tion being devoted to them. Having box lid with a representation inside in gold-dust lacquer of the scene of the Chinese poet lost in admiration of a cascade in the mountains; mercury was cunningly introduced in such a it, too, I'm simply burning up." fashion that when properly placed, a cascade was seen in action. There were toilet cases and old mirrors which had belonged to princely families. There was a set of ceremonial made of red lacquer with patterns and piped: raised in gold: these cups were broad. low bowls, almost as flat and shallow as table plates. The 12 composing they've. got. is 50 cents a pint."ages. After going through just twice the outfit were of different sizes, and Cleveland Leader. were stacked one on another, the least above; when used, they were passed from hand to hand, the first the ground floor still to be traversed. one at the beginning of the wedding world, almost a mile in length, or, to feast being the smallest; the others be exact, 4,700 feet, is at Port Los

until the largest, last. from Mitsukoshi and Matsuya, but In every Japanese living and recept reason for this construction is that it appointee, Superintendent Conn. who Some days ago the street cars were tokonoma. It is an alcove, the floor currents and the buffetings of the does not propose to permit any misbrilliant with announcements of Mat- of which stands at a little greater waves than if it were perfectly suya's fall opening of wedding prepa- height than that of the room itself straight. Until the nearby harbor of rations. Our native mentor insisted Upon this slightly elevated platform San Pedro was developed by the fedthat we should take it in. We were the only decorations of the room are eral government the big wharf at Port glad, indeed, he did so. A very con- placed it is here that the floral ar-. Los Angeles was a very busy place, siderable section of the store had been rangement for the time will be con- but of late it is comparatively seldom rece to rared for the exhibition, structed. There is usually a little used except by the Japanese fisherthe order resents stand of beautifully in shed wood men, who have formed a colony along house and heat for the kitchen. of the outfit, upon which some qui

ivory or wood or a rare bronze. a lovely vase or other piece of pottery. or some other article of beauty will be placed. Upon the wall at the rear of the tokonoma there is usually a kakemono or scroll with a painting or inscription upon it. Not the wast interesting thing about Matsuya's display was the togonoma of the wedding house or rather of the home of the young people. The platform and the stand and other supports used in it were all of clean white wood, beauobject in such a tokonoma consists of shimadai which is usually a little art tificial pine tree under which are represented an old man and woman with white hair; cranes may be perched among the branches or standing on the ground below; and usually a tortoise, the kind with the broad and hairy tail-"the ten thousand year tortoise;" to the right and left of the shimadai are stands which bear ly cut and divided. The colors them- the lower, the middle or the high class symbolic gifts of foods, while before selves are really rich, ranging from (princely woman) is recognized at it on a little stand of its own is a symbolic shallow bowl of sake; in the remaining space are usually arranged little stands or tables upon which are gifts of food or other presents, all of which usually have symbolic meaning.

We had already noticed a shop where such presents were manufactured. We had recognized that they were present, but not that they had special reference to weddings. Having seen Matsuya's great display, we hastened to visit two or three of the places where shimadai and other forms of wedding gifts are made. In the good old times, before the Occidental influence was strong, every such shop was marked by a pair of tai fish in wood, painted red, hung above the door. Such signboards, alas, are now a rarity. Where else does the constant symbolism of the Japanese make | day of August, A. D. 1910. so strong an impression upon the visitor as at such shops?

Always present in the stock will be two immense representations of tai fish made in bright red stuff or soft crepe-like texture. These fish usually rest with heads and mouths quite close together upon a stand of clean white wood, with artificial leaves of green bamboo tucked under them. Such a pair of tai fishe are an emblem of conjugal fidelity and love. The pine tree alone or with various objects associated with it is always to be seen. The pine is evergreen.

hence a natural symbol for long life and eternal happiness. The white hair of the old man and woman so frequently shaded under its branches indicate the years of life which the giver wishes to be the lot of the young couple. The turtle with its long broad tail of streaming hairseawced-is reputed to live ten thousand years, and conveys the wish that other symbol of longevity always to be seen in such places is really naturalistic representations of lobsters, or lobster-like crustaceans, which are, generally made in red or purple stuff. Very common is a massing together of a great stalk of red coral, a sack bulging with precious contents, and other emblems symbolic of wealth-the well-known "jewel" among them; such of course delicately convey the wish that the recipient may have hills of treasure, mountains of wealth. Sometimes a great figure of an elephant made in delicate pearl-gray stuff is used as the bearer of the various symbolic presents instead of a simple stand of wood. In all these symbolic forms, whether tai fish or coralbranch or treasure mountan or lobster, the cloth or material which is used is uncut and unsewed; in other words, unbroken pieces of cloth are used in their construction; the object being that after the wedding has passee and the celebration ended the material may be carefully opened out and utilized.

But when we talk of symbols we are apt to to run on forever. We wish. only to call attention to one other, symbolic present to be seen in the maker's shop. It is a form of rebus! -only, instead of the pictures of the rebus representing sounds, they call up an association of ideas; and, instead of being drawn or painted, they are stamped-out objects, which are arranged upon a long and narrow board. These boards, about three feet in length and four inches wide, are perforated at the upper end for hange ing by a peg or nail against the wall; 25th. upon them are a half dozen of the symbolic objects. Of course, to a foreigner who knows nothing of the lananese, however, of intelligence and education, this plain and simple board with its pretty attached objects calls the prettiest forms of wedding pres- counted.

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Somewhat Embarrassing. Attorney Clem V. Hull, with much gusto, tells this story on himself. "I was in conference with a client on one of those dreadfully hot days and not wanting to leave him even for an instant I called an office boy,

me a pint of Vichy and be quick about "My client was an elder in the church and my purpose was not only to quench my own thirst, but to offer him a nice cooling drink as well. "In five minutes the boy was back.

drinking cups for use at the wedding He thrust his head through the door "'Please, Mr. Hull, they say over at -'s that the cheapest whisky

Long Serpentine Wharf.

One of the longest wharves in the cific for a long serpentine curve. The ving in the adjacent beach.



LABOR DAY PROCLAMATION. In recognition of the importance of the subject of labor, the first Monday tifully smooth and pure. The central in September of each year has been a legal holiday.

The peace, prosperity and progress of the nation and the commonwealth depend upon the well-being of those who toil.

In hearty accord with this spirit, I. Ashton C. Shallenberger, governor of the state of Nebraska, do hereby proclaim Monday, September 5, 1910, Labor Day, to be observed in such manner and by such ceremonies and exercises as may be appropriate to so vital an occasion. It is my sincere alone by those who are employed, but also by those who employ, and by all those who feel a concern for their country's welfare. I recommend that so far as possible the factory, work- is not a state in the union where some shop, store and other places wherein labor is employed be closed, to the end that the forces which have contributed so generously to the prosperity of the state and the nation be given an opportunity to enjoy the ties of the event.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the great seal of the state of Nebraska. Done in Lincoln, this 30th

> (Seal) By the Governor: A. C. SHALLENBERGER. GEO. C. JUNKIN, Secretary of State.

Normal Schools Ask for Much Cash. Estimates of the requirements of the three normal schools for the biennium beginning April 1, 1911, were submitted at the last board meeting. The total of three estimates, which include nothing for Chadron, is \$524,-The estimate for the Kearney nor-

mal follows: Repairs 5,000

expense, aside from buildings, has Mich., Oct. 16, 1909." Maintenance\$ 25,000 Salaries of teachers 110,000 Employes' wages 12,000 Repairs 15,000 Traveling expenses 600

New story on library 12,000 The new Wayne normal, which is to be opened by the state this month. asks for the following: Maintenance\$21,600 Repairs 10,000 Employes 5,000 Teachers' salaries 75,000

New building 55,000 The board itself will ask for \$3,500 for its expenses instead of \$2,500, the amount now appropriated. Had it not been that the board was able to get some of its traveling expenses from other appropriations the \$2,500 specifically appropriated for this purpose would have been exhausted before

Has 25.000 Salaries Employes. Any one who is skeptical regarding the influence that railroad employes could exert if they worked as a unit may find something of interest in a It that does that. table compiled by U. G. Powell from reports filed with the state railway commission. The total number of railroad employes of all kinds and classes in Nebraska in 1909 was 25,000, an increase of 2,030 over the preceding year, when the reports showed a total working force of \$23,170.

The state banking board has called for a statement of the condition of banks at the close of business August

An opinion has been rendered by the attorney general which validates guage and little of the poems, songs, certain ballots over which there had traditions and theatrical representa- been some discussion. This is in these compositions is lost. To a Jap | made in one column, but names of candidates on another ticket had been er this my trouble disappeared." written in. The advice of the attorney general is that such ballots are up a precious memory from some an- perfectly valid, but that the names of cient drama or poem. It is among the candidates written in cannot be

A special examination in the life certificate subjects will be held in the office of the state superintendent. Lincoln, Thursday and Friday, September 1 and 2. 1910. Returns on this examination will be made September 3. This special examination is held in order to accommodate those who failed to complete their examinations gave him a quarter and said: 'Go get on the regular August list.

Crawford Files Complaint,

The mayor and city attorney of Crawford have filed a complaint with the railway commission charging that the Burlington road has failed to abide by a contract made several years ago whereby the city of Crawford vacated certain streets and the Burlington was to maintain crossings at certain other streets. The complaint alleges that the railroad company obstructs streets to such an extent that it is impossible for one to go from one end of the town to the other.

State Treasurer Brian of the normal board has returned from Wayne, where he helped check in the state board's tion room the place of honor is the offers better resistance to the strong is to open the school. The state board understanding to occur in regard to water or other rent. The board will rent a residence on the campus to the superintendent to be used by him for his residence. Mr. Conn is to pay \$300 a year rent to the state for the building, he to furnish the light for the

GOOD WORK IS PROGRESSING

Four years ago the only active wom-

en workers in the anti-tuberculosis

Women in Every State Join Earnestly in Campaign Against Tu-

movement were a little group of about 30 women's clubs. Today 875,000 women, under the United States, are banded together against this disease. and more than 2,000 clubs are taking a special interest in the crusade. Not by the law-making body set apart as less than \$500,000 is raised annually by them for tuberculosis work, besides millions that are secured through their efforts in state and municipal appropriations. Mrs. Rufus P. Williams is the chairman of the department that directs this work. In addition to the work of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, the Public Health Education committee of the American Medical association, composed largely of women physicians. has carried on an educational campaign of lectures during the past year in which thousands have been reached. desire that the day be celebrated, not | The Mothers' congress, the Young Women's Christian association, and

IN AGONY WITH ECZEMA

work has not been done.

many unattached clubs bring the num-

ber of women united in the tuberculo-

sis war to well over a million. There

"No tongue can tell how I suffered for five years with itching and bleedholiday and participate in the festivi- ing eczema, until I was cured by the Cuticura Remedies, and I am so grateful I want the world to know, for what helped me will help others. My body and face were covered with sores. One day it would seem to be better, and then break out again with the most terrible pain and itching. I have been sick several times, but never in my life did I experience such awful suffering as with this eczema. I had made up my mind that death was near at hand, and I longed for that time when I would be at rest. I had tried many different doctors and medicines without success, and my mother brought me the Cuticura Remedies, insisting that I try them. I began to feel better after the first bath with Cuticura Soap, and one application of Cuticura Ointment.

"I continued with the Cuticura Soan and Cuticura Ointment, and have taken four bottles of Cuticura Resolv-Maintenance\$20,000 ent, and consider myself well. This was nine years ago and I have had Teachers' salaries 95,820 no return of the trouble since. Any Employes' wages 7,440 person having any doubt about this New south wing 55,000 wonderful cure by the Cuticura Reme-Peru wants slightly less than two dies can write to my address. Mrs. years ago, although the increase in Altie Etson, 93 Inn Road, Battle Creek,

OIL ON TROUBLED WATERS.



Paintem's painting of the ocean? The Artist-I thought the water looked too calm.

The Joker-I guess it's the oil on

A CASE OF GRAVEL.

Tulare, Cal., Man Cured by Doan's Kidney Pills.

Harrison A. Sturtevant, G and Maple Sts., Tulare, Cal., says: "I was in bad shape with kidney trouble. Too frequent passage of the urine compelled me to arise at night, my bladder became inflamed and I

hadexcruciating pains in my abdomen. Soon after I began using Doan's Kidney Pills, I passed a gravel stone threequarters of an inch in length and variegated in color. Aft- pipes.

Remember the name-Doan's.

For sale by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Located.

Old Gentleman (to waiter)-Can you tell me if my wife is here? Waiter-Yes, sir, eighth hat to the laundry? left.—Fliegende Blaetter.

Get a Move On. The Loafer-Alas! my ship doesn't

come in. The Real Man-Then get a move on and help some other fellow unload his.

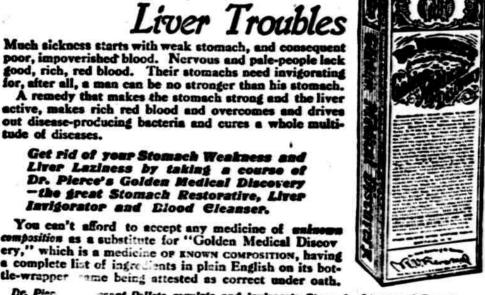
We feel sorry for a girl who knows more than she ought to and not as much as she should.

Stomach Blood and Liver Troubles Much sickness starts with weak stomach, and consequent poor, impoverished blood. Nervous and pale-people lack I, rich, red blood. Their stomachs need invigorating for, after all, a man can be no stronger than his stomach.

Get rid of your Stomach Weakness and Liver Laziness by taking a course of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery -the great Stomach Restorative, Liver Invigorator and Blood Cleanser.

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Letters similar to the following are received every day, testifying to satisfactor; conditions; other districts are as favorably spoken of

THEY SENT FOR THEIR SON. Maidstone, Sask., Canada, Aug. 5th, 1910.
"My parents came here from Cedar Valls. Iowa, rour years ago, and were so well pleased with this country they sent to Coeur d'Alene for me. I have taken up a homestead near them, and am perfectly satisfied to stop here." Leonard Douglas.

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Stettler, Alberta, July 3ist, 1910.

"Well I got up here from Forest City, Iowa, last Spring in good shape with the stock and everything. Now, I have got two boys back in Iowa yet, and I am going back there now soon to get them and another car up here this fall. What I would like to know is, If there is any chance to get a cheap rate back again, and when we return to Canada I will call at your office for our certificates."

Yours truly, II. A. Wik.

WILL MAKE HIS HOMB IN CANADA.

My orother-in-law. Mr. Frank J. Zimmer, lives there and it was through him that we decided to locate in Canada."

Tours truly, TAKES HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW'S WORD FOR IT.

Taylors Falls, Minn., Aug. 7, 1910.
"I shall go to Camrose this Fall with my cattle and

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best districts in which to locate, and when to go. W. Y. BENNETT, 801 New York Life Building, Omaha, Nebraska



Pipe Gives Cadet Typhoid. Midshipman Smith, who was strick-

en with typhoid fever on the Indiana at Plymouth, England, contracted the disease, it is said, from smoking a briar used nearly a year ago by his roommate at Annapolis who had a bad case of typhoid. This theory is taken as proof that concentrated nicotine cannot destroy a typhoid germ. The medical department of the navy will examine into the theory with the result that midshipmen of the future may confine themselves to their own

While in Soak. Howell-I see that the paper says that the treasury department announces that by washing paper money it will last twice as long.

Powell-Yes, but what is a poor devil to do while his money is at the Ers. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.

A man knows but little if he tells

them a chance. Lewis' Single Binder, the famous

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